

REMARKS

The above-referenced patent application has been reviewed in light of the Office Action referenced above. Reconsideration of the above-referenced patent application in view of the foregoing amendments and following remarks is respectfully requested. Applicants/assignees gratefully acknowledge the Examiner's indication that claim 2 contains allowable subject matter.

Claims 3-12 have been added herein, and therefore claims 1-12 are currently pending. No new matter has been presented.

The Examiner has rejected claim 1 under 35 USC 102(e) as anticipated by what the Examiner characterizes as "admitted prior art". This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Independent claim 1, as amended, recites providing a fast driving sequence with a period less than the above driving sequence. The Examiner has interpreted N as including one (1). But since if $N=1$ the period is not decreased to a level less than its former level, this interpretation is no longer consistent with the terms of claim 1. As no references discussed in the specification disclose (or even suggest) providing a fast driving sequence with a period less than the above driving sequence as recited in claim 1, it is submitted that claim 1 is not anticipated by any such references.

Withdrawal of the anticipation rejection of claim 1 is accordingly respectfully requested.

New claim 3 recites the features of decreasing a period of the driving sequence, sending the charge signals to the pixel processor according to the driving sequence, and sampling the charge signals by the pixel processor according to an unchanged sampling sequence. It is submitted that new claim 3 and its dependent claims 4 to 7 are patentable for similar reasons given with respect to claim 1.

New claim 8 recites features analogous to those recited in claim 3, and therefore claim 8 and its dependent claims 9-12 are patentable for at least the same reasons as claim 3.

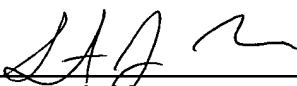
CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully asserted that all of the claims pending in this patent application are in condition for allowance. If the Examiner has any questions, he is invited to contact the undersigned at (503) 439-6500. Reconsideration of this patent application and early allowance of all of the claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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